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## MATERIAL COMING IN:

This month's newsletter contains much material still left over from this past summer's annual meeting. Included are some photographs taken, at the meeting, and photo copies (much reduced in size), of the awards presented.

Since this meeting, your editor has received material from several sources namely Bob Brown who has sent along a host of material that he has compiled on 'Dairy Queen' woods, over the years. David Phillips has several more articles on 'Alaskan' woods. Dave Gillespie has dug out some old history (CAWMC- related) from past IOWMC 'Bunyan's Chips' newsletters and Lou Vesh has an article describing his experience with his latest new wood.

Some of all the above will make up parts of future newsletters. Many thanks to these individuals and keep the 'material' coming. Your editor hopes these photographs photocopy decently.



From left to right: CAWMC Charter member (C-4) Les Copan, CAWMC President Al Munro, and long-time CAWMC member and C.N.A. Honourary President, James E. Charlton



**PAST PRESIDENTS:**

Garry Braunwarth – 1975-1977

Victor Hall – 1977-1979

Don Robb – 1979-1981

Stan Clute – 1981-1983

Neil Probert – 1983-1985

Norm Belsten – 1985-1991

Pat White – 1991-1995

Lou Vesh – 1995-2001

Earl Salterio – 2001-2003

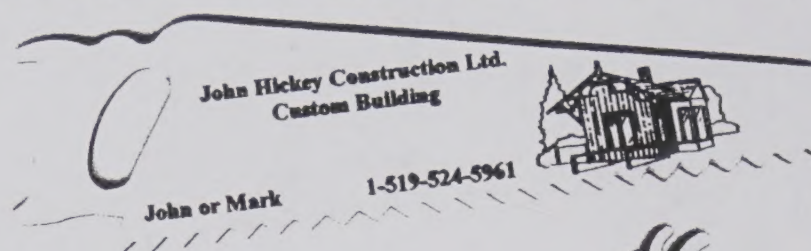
Norm Belsten – 2003-2005

**SCARBOROUGH COIN CLUB 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SHOW:**

This show takes place Sat. Nov. 11, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the *Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 Eastpark Blvd. Scarborough, Ontario*. Available at the show will be coins, paper money, tokens, medals and a Club table. Admission is free and refreshments available. The Club meets at this location. Tables are still available. For information contact Dick Dunn at e-mail [cpms@idirect.com](mailto:cpms@idirect.com) or P.O. Box 562, Pickering, ON L1V 2R7.

**ODD-SHAPED 'WOODS':**

*Canada Wide Woods* occasionally produces odd-shaped woods for customers. Here are two recent issues received by your editor. Canada Wide Woods, General Delivery, Gadshill, ON Can. N0K 1J0.

**CAWMC OFFICERS**

President: AL MUNRO  
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 Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman: AL MUNRO  
 Past-President and Chairman of the Board of Governors: NORM BELSTEN  
 Elected Members of the Board of Governors:  
 BOB BROWN, RUSSELL BROWN,  
 DAVE GILLESPIE, ED MacPHERSON, LOU VESH  
 JAMES WILLISTON.

**APPOINTED OFFICERS**

Editor: ROSS KINGDON  
 Fund Raiser: LOU VESH  
 Auction Coordinator: AL MUNRO

**DUES:** Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds  
 United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds  
 International Members Rate (outside of Canada and U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds  
 Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

**FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH:**

C.A.W.M.C. member *Neil Probert*, also a member of the Calgary Numismatic Society, has donated this month's free wood. The wood, (red both sides), was issued at the marriage of Neil's daughter, *Erin* to *Mark* this past June. ***Congratulations and Best Wishes to Erin and Mark.*** Thank you, Neil, for the donation of these 'woods'.



Shown Here Is A Picture Taken And Certificates And A Wooden Badge Presented At The C.A.W.M.C. Annual Meeting:



Larry White and granddaughter, Chelsea at the CAWMC breakfast. Larry was awarded a 2<sup>nd</sup> place medal in the *Non-Canadian Medals Category* for his display of *Glen Littrell Whooping Crane 'woods'*.

THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF  
WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS  
PRESENTS THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO

ROBERT BROWN JR

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
HOBBY OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTING

SUPPORTING AND PROMOTING THE HOBBY OF  
COLLECTING WOODEN MONEY

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PRESIDENT OF C.A.W.M.C.

THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF  
WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS  
PRESENTS THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO

EDWARD MacPHERSON

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
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COLLECTING WOODEN MONEY

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PRESIDENT OF C.A.W.M.C.

THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF  
WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS

PRESENTS THIS HONOURARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP TO

ROSS KINGDON

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
HOBBY OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTING

SUPPORTING AND PROMOTING THE HOBBY OF  
COLLECTING WOODEN MONEY OVER THE YEARS

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PRESIDENT OF C.A.W.M.C.

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**GILLESPIE'S HARDWARE – CENTENNIAL:***by Dave Gillespie*

On May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006, the Gillespie family celebrated 100 years in the Hardware Business. Over the past 100 years, generations of customers in Orangeville, Owen Sound and Beaverton have called "Gillespie's Hardware" their hardware store. The last remaining Gillespie Hardware store is on Simcoe Street in the Town of Beaverton.

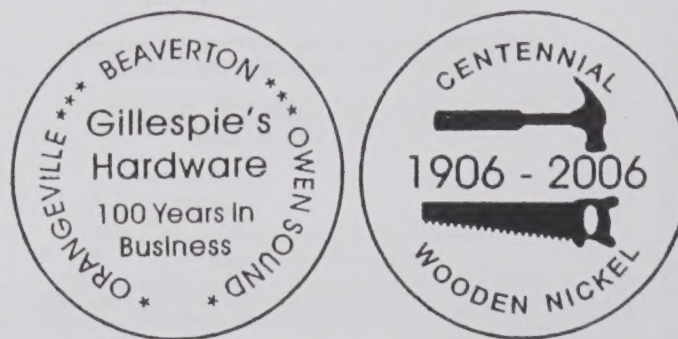
At the turn of the century, Joseph Gillespie bought a building on the main street in the Town of Orangeville, known as the Jackson Block, and opened a business. In April of 1906, his two sons, William and Jack, started Gillespie Brothers Hardware. Five years later, in 1911, Jack left for Toronto and their brother Charlie came in off the Homestead Farm in Amaranth Township, to become a partner in the business with his brother William. Charlie's family (5 sons) helped out in the store in the summers and after school.

In 1948, two of Charlie's sons, Doug and Grant, started a Gillespie's Hardware in Owen Sound and in the early 1950's a third son, Bill, branched out and opened Gillespie's Hardware in Beaverton.

The youngest of the sons, twin brothers, Ralph and Walter, took over their father's interests in the Orangeville store, on his death in 1949. Ralph continued in business, in Orangeville, until the store closure, in the summer of 1986.

Walter joined brother Bill, in Beaverton, in 1964. Bill has since passed away and Walter's son Chuck, continues to this day, with his father, in the Gillespie hardware business.

In celebration of the Centennial, the Gillespie Clan congregated at the Hardware Store, in Beaverton, on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006. A local Radio Station KICX 104 FM was hired and so was the local Lion's Club, to cook hot dogs and hamburgers for the patrons of the store. The day also included many draw prizes, souvenir pens and a Wooden Nickel made and handed out for the occasion. The wood is shown here.

**PAUL JOHNSON BECOMES THE C.N.A.'s NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:**

Just prior to the recent Canadian Numismatic Association convention held in Niagara Falls, Ontario, it was announced that long-time CAWMC member (R-104) Paul Johnson, had been appointed as Executive Secretary of the C.N.A. CONGRATULATIONS, PAUL. At that time, a news release was sent out highlighting Paul's career in coin collecting. This release is reprinted on page 5 of this newsletter.

Recently, Dave Gillespie, was reading an old I.O.W.M.C. newsletter "Bunyan's Chips" May 1, 1980, when he came across a profile, of Paul, written by Paul himself, at the time. It is reprinted on page 6. Enjoy.





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**June 29, 2006 - For Immediate Release**

Charles "Chuck" Moore, President of the Canadian Numismatic Association, is pleased to announce the appointment of Paul Johnson as the Association's new Executive Secretary.

Paul Johnson began collecting coins in 1965, joining the Canadian Numismatic Association in 1972 and transferring to life membership in 1978. He is a member of about 30 numismatic associations. Paul has held several elected and appointed positions in the C.N.A. including Second Vice-President, Ontario Director and Finance Chairman and has been Education Committee Chairman since 1991. He was coordinating editor of the first CNA Numismatic Correspondence Course released in 1995 as well as the second one launched in 2005. He served the CNA as Junior Director, Club Services Chairman, Finance Committee Chairman, Ontario Director, Second Vice President and Toronto area Director. Paul was an exhibit judge at most CNA Conventions from 1979 to 2004. He received the J. Douglas Ferguson Gold Medal Award in 1995, the CNA Fellow Award in 1997 and the CNA Presidential Award in 2005. He has served on many CNA Convention committees.

Paul served the Ontario Numismatic Association as Head Exhibit Judge from 1997 to 2006 and as Award of Merit Committee Chairman from 1991 to 1999. Paul received the ONA Award of Merit in 1985 and the ONA Fellow award in 2001. He has held ONA Life Membership since 1983. Paul joined the American Numismatic Association in 1972 and is a recipient of the ANA Outstanding Young Numismatist award. He also received the ANA Presidential award in 1995. In 1996, Paul received the title of MASTER NUMISMATIST for completing the ANA Numismatic Diploma Program.

He has been an active exhibitor at coin shows since 1967 and has received numerous Best of Show awards. He has exhibited competitively in every Canadian province except Newfoundland and has exhibited in 25 different states of the United States.

Paul has served on the executive of the North York Coin Club over a 20-year span as Vice President, Director and Program Chairman, receiving an honorary life membership in 1998. He was also on the executive of the Peterborough (Ontario) Coin Club.

His 33-year background as a General Accountant, Financial Analyst and Cost Accountant in the manufacturing and service industries will serve him well in his new position. He and his wife Mary-Ellen have a nine year old daughter, Laura.

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education and by providing advocacy and leadership for the hobby.**

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Paul Johnson  
I.O.W.M.C. #1278

I became interested in collecting wooden money about four years ago due to the fact that some of my other numismatic pursuits were becoming so expensive. A lot of Canadian wood could be found at area coin shows or meetings at minimal cost. At present my collection consists of 400 different Canadian woods and about 200 U.S.A. issues. As well as collecting Canadian wood, I also collect Delaware, Michigan and certain coin club pieces. The most helpful book to Canadian wooden money collectors was recently issued by I.O.W.M.C. member Norman E. Wells. There has been more wood issued in Ontario than any other province. I enjoy artistically designed wood much more than those with printing only. The Spruce dollar woods from Prince George, British Columbia are an example and have an interesting history behind each piece.

I was born in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada on July 12, 1952. There I completed high school and graduated from Sir Sandford Fleming College with a degree in Business and Commerce. In 1973 I moved to Toronto for employment and am currently working for Signode Canada Inc. as their Budget and Cost Analyst in the Accounting Department. This position has allowed me a flexible vacation schedule in order to attend numismatic conventions in Canada and the United States. Other interests outside of numismatics include: most sports, especially golf, photography, chess, travel and reading.

Since I began collecting coins in 1965, I have always taken an active part in organized numismatics. I am currently serving as Second Vice President of the Canadian Numismatic Association after my previous two year term as Ontario Director. I hold membership in twenty five numismatic organizations including A.N.A., Central States, Michigan State, Toronto Coin Club and Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (R-104). I am an avid exhibitor and have displayed numerous times through out Canada and the U.S.A. during the past few years. Within the next year I want to put together a wooden money exhibit for showing at numismatic events. Exhibiting is "half the fun of collecting" and I urge everyone to become involved in it. It's a great way to meet new collectors and show your collection off to the public.

I found out about the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors in 1977 and joined immediately. They hold annual meetings during the C.N.A. Convention each July as well as publishing a monthly newsletter. There are many fine people that I have met in the Association. As for I.O.W.M.C., I was fortunate enough to attend the annual gathering in Houston, 1978 and enjoyed the events very much. I look forward with anticipation of meeting more wooden money collectors at the annual meeting in Cincinnati.

*Paul Johnson*